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REBEL SUCCESSES

Another Filibustering Expedition Landed in Cuba.

THE CITY OF HOLGUIN CAPTURED

Spanish Convoy Attacked by Insurgents and Only Escape Annihilation by Fleeing—Another Political Prisoner Shot at Matanzas.

Havana, Aug. 18.—The news that Ben Roloff landed an expedition at Las Piedras, coast of Moron, and that Garcia had captured the city of Holguin is true. A hundred Spanish soldiers, who were escorting a convoy from Oanto to Cayamas, Manzanillo, were surrounded by a force of insurgents, who attacked the Spaniards from all sides. The troops sustained heavy losses, much larger than the official figures, which are given as two officers and twenty-one privates killed. The bodies of the dead were left on the field, the troops being compelled to hurriedly retreat to escape annihilation. Rebels attacked the town of Guirade Melena, in the southern part of the province of Havana, and captured it despite a desperate resistance on the part of the Spanish garrison. A number of stores and dwellings were looted and then burned, after which the rebels retired. No mention is made of losses on either side in the official report, which credits the Spaniards with repulsing the rebels, though no explanation is given of the acknowledged fact that the rebels looted and burned stores and dwellings in the part of the town. Jose Miguel Carrillo was shot at Matanzas yesterday for the crime of rebellion and incendiarism.

Filibusters Landed.

Philadelphia, Aug. 18.—Information has just been received here by the Cuban revolutionary party that an expedition, consisting of seventy-five men and a large quantity of war munitions, was landed in Cuba last Thursday. The expedition originally set out from this country and went to a South American port from whence the landing was made. A number of Americans, including several Philadelphians, are said to have been in the party.

STRICKEN CUBA.

New York Health Officer's Investigation of the Plague Bitten Island.

New York, Aug. 18.—Health officer Alvah H. Doty has returned from Havana, Cuba. He said he had only spent two days in Havana, because he found on arrival that it would be impossible for him to reach either Santiago or Cienfuegos, where there are alarming outbreaks of smallpox. He therefore confined his observations to a close inspection of the conditions prevailing at Havana. He found that there was a great deal of yellow fever and smallpox in the city and surrounding country. The sanitary conditions were terrible. The whole city's sewage was emptied into the bay and the time was not sufficient to carry it to sea. Consequently the bay was a constant breeder of yellow fever. Two points in particular were noticeably offensive, opposite the Havana docks and in the vicinity of the military hospitals. Dr. Doty states that any vessels arriving here which were loaded at the docks in these places will be subjected to the most rigorous quarantine. There were 300 cases of yellow fever and 100 deaths reported from the military hospital during the two weeks previous to Dr. Doty's visit. He is confident that the condition of the city of Havana is much worse than in ordinary summers, as the presence of such a number of unacclimated soldiers has a very bad effect and also the frequent moving of large bodies of military men from one part of the island to another tends to spread disease.

New York's Quarantine Facilities.

It was Dr. Doty's intention to appoint a resident physician to represent him in each of the three cities of Havana, Cienfuegos and Santiago, and he succeeded in securing an eminent medical man in each one of these cities who will regularly report to him the sanitary condition of the towns they represent and also the progress and effectiveness of such measures as the local authorities may take to prevent the spread of disease. Dr. Doty refused to give the names of his representatives for publication, saying that their usefulness to his department might be impaired thereby. There will be no change made in the manner of inspection of Havana vessels at this port. The health officer is satisfied that the present system of detaining all foreign born passengers from Cuba, who have not become acclimated by a ten years' residence in the island, is the best way to insure against the introduction of yellow fever, while in the case of vessels arriving from those ports which are infected with smallpox, a most rigid examination of all on board will be made and where there is the slightest suspicion of infection the vessel will be detained until the full incubative period of fourteen days shall have elapsed from the time the vessel cleared from the port. With the aid of his newly connected fumigating steamer Dr. Doty feels confident that there will be no introduction of the dread disease into this city. He expresses himself as much gratified with the result of his trip.

LI HUNG CHANG'S VISIT.

Ex-Secretary Foster Knows But Little of the Plans for His Entertainment.

New York, Aug. 18.—Ex-Secretary of state John W. Foster of Indiana was at the Fifth Avenue hotel in this city last evening enroute to Saratoga to attend the meeting of the American Bar association. In regard to the proposed reception to be tendered to Li Hung Chang, the Chinese viceroy, upon the occasion of that distinguished gentleman's visit to this country, Mr. Foster said: The viceroy comes to this country as the nation's guest, and, of course, the government authorities will have full charge of the details of his reception. I can give you but little information on this subject. I know that the president has appointed Gen. Ruler to make the necessary arrangements for a suitable reception and he will probably be able to make public the programme in a few days. I also understand that Assistant Secretary of State Rockhill will represent the state department at the reception. President Cleveland will be on hand to receive the nation's guest, but just what will constitute the ceremonies I am not in a position to state. The subject of a private banquet to be tendered to Li Hung Chang by a number of the residents of this city is now being discussed, I believe, and the matter will probably assume definite shape in a day or two. Three former ministers to China are now living in or around New York. They are John Russell Young, George F. Seward and John E. Ward. These and other gentlemen who have resided at times in China are anxious to honor the viceroy and contribute towards his reception and entertainment.

ONLY SOCIAL CALLS.

Three Members of the Cabinet Visit the President at Gray Gables.

Buzzards Bay, Mass., Aug. 18.—Attorney General Harmon, it seems, was at Gray Gables Sunday for a few hours, returning Sunday night, accompanied by Secretary Lamont. Mr. Harmon generally calls every year during the season on the president and family, and it happened he was here at the same time as Secretary Lamont. There was no official business that called him here, it is stated. Possibly the president touched upon some matters of public interest, but what they were it is impossible to ascertain. It was not a prearranged meeting, notwithstanding previous reports. It is also stated that Secretary Carlisle was there Sunday, but only remained a short time. Secretary Olney, however, was not of the party.

DR. NANSEN'S RETURN.

The Explorer Now on the Way to Christiania.

Vardoe, Norway, Aug. 18.—Dr. Nansen left here yesterday on his way to Christiania. He says that the meeting between himself and Jackson, the English explorer, was the result of the barking of the dogs. The Norwegian and his companion were exploring one day when they heard barking, and, following the sounds, to their amazement, discovered Jackson's camp. Vardoe has been decorated in honor of the return to Dr. Nansen.

Exhibition Baseball Game.

Geneva, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The Cincinnati National league baseball team played the Geneva team here yesterday afternoon. In the first four innings the former gave a fine exhibition of league work. Then they let up and in the eighth inning allowed the Geneva to make two runs, the score at the time standing 2 to 9, in favor of the Cincinnati. Dwyer, a Geneva boy, on taking his place in the box for the visitors was accorded an ovation and was presented with a beautiful vase as a trophy.

An Irish Prisoner Released.

London, Aug. 18.—Thomas Devany, one of the Irish dynamiters who, in Edinburgh in 1883, was sentenced to penal servitude for life, was released from Portland prison yesterday. Great precautions were taken to prevent his being recognized as it was believed that the Irish and Irish sympathizers might attempt to make a demonstration. Immediately after his release Devany took a train for Glasgow.

Mills on Fall Time.

Lawrence, Mass., Aug. 18.—The Washington millers are running on full time this week, practically in all departments. The plant has been running about eight hours per day for about six weeks, previous to which it was shut down for three weeks. The Washington employs about 1,500 hands. The Pacific mills print works resumed operations after a week's shutdown.

Barred from the Mails.

Washington, Aug. 18.—The post-office department has issued fraud orders against the German Mead company of Bay City, Mich., prohibiting it from further use of the mails.

Chicago Exchange Still Closed.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—No quotations on stocks or settlement prices, the local stock exchange remaining closed.

COCKRAN'S SPEECH

Arrangements for the Sound Money Meeting in New York To-night.

A LARGE GATHERING IS PROMISED

A Reply to Wm. J. Bryan's Address Accepting the Nomination—Many States Will Be Represented—Mr. Cockran To Speak Elsewhere.

New York, Aug. 18.—Preparations for the Madison Square garden meeting to-night at which Bourke Cockran will reply to William J. Bryan's address accepting the nomination in the same place last Wednesday were practically completed this morning. The meeting was arranged by the democratic gold league, whose headquarters are at No. 15 Twenty-fourth street. Applications for tickets continue to pour in, and indications point to a big meeting. The large floor space in the center of the garden has been filled with temporary seats. In this enclosure there will be 8,000 chairs. They will be numbered or reserved and will be open to those holding general admission tickets. It will be a case of first come first served. The Madison avenue doors will be open at 6 o'clock to persons holding the white admission tickets and those who come first will get the best seats on the floor. Those in charge say that every possible precaution will be taken to prevent crowding and confusion and that there will be no clubbing and blundering by the police this time. At the headquarters of the democratic honest money league it was said this morning that the list of vice-presidents for the meeting was growing every hour. It is expected that every state in the union will be represented in the list. It was also announced today that after his speech in Madison Square garden Mr. Cockran would make an extended tour speaking for the cause of sound money in Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana. There has been no change in the programme already published. Perry Belmont will preside, and, it is said, will take good care to consume little time in making the remarks which convention requires of a chairman upon assuming his position.

HANNA'S MOVEMENTS.

He Will Leave Cleveland To-night for the Eastern Headquarters.

New York, Aug. 18.—Chairman Hanna of the republican national committee will not reach headquarters until to-morrow morning. Secretary Osborne received a dispatch from him this morning in which he said that he would remain in Cleveland to-day and leave for New York to-night. In a letter Chairman Hanna reports an enormous demand from the people of the west for literature on the financial question. This demand will be supplied by the Chicago headquarters. It is announced that a ninth member of the executive committee will not be appointed in order to avoid friction in New York and Missouri, where there are factional fights.

Allison To Stop Iowa.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—Senator Allison came to national republican headquarters yesterday afternoon from the seashore, prepared to take an active part in the campaign in his home state and elsewhere. He said he would not do much campaign work outside of Iowa, and added: "I shall be very much surprised if we fail to carry Iowa. The general situation is favorable, but there is hard work ahead to make sure of victory. I don't anticipate much difficulty on account of union in Iowa. Fusion between democrats and populists is no novelty with us, but their united strength has not been enough to wrest the state from the republicans." The national committee has established a bureau of information and education for the colored race at headquarters with F. L. Barnett, a Chicago attorney, in charge. Special literature and speakers of the race will form part of the campaign work.

National Republican Clubs.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—An elaborate political banquet is to be one of the features of the convention of National republican league clubs at Milwaukee next week. It will be held at the Hotel Pfister, the second day, Wednesday, and seats will be arranged for 400 persons. The chief speaker will be Senator Sherman. A new candidate president of the league has come to the front, "Father" Gleason of New York, called so because he was one of the founders of the organization. He is popular and very widely known.

To Promote Uniformity in Legislation.

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The state of commissioners for promoting a unity of legislation in the United States concluded its sixth annual conference last night. The chief work of the year was the reviewing of a draft of a general act on negotiable instruments compiled by J. J. Crawford of New York city. This new draft if passed in the several state legislatures will, it is contended, be a very important work to the entire commercial world.

ABIGAIL DODGE DEAD

Passed Away From the Stroke of Paralysis of Sunday Morning.

WAS UNCONSCIOUS TO THE END

Few Women Better Known in the Literary World Than "Gail Hamilton"—Some of Her Most Popular Works.

Wenham, Mass., Aug. 18.—"Gail Hamilton," Mary Abigail Dodge, died at 8:55 o'clock last night, without regaining consciousness since she was stricken Sunday morning with paralysis while seated at breakfast.

Few women were as well known in the literary world as Mary Abigail Dodge. Besides her writings, she was kept in the public eye by her championship of the interests of women. The fact that she was a cousin of James G. Blaine's wife and spent so much of her life at Washington added to her celebrity. "Gail" is simply an abbreviation of Abigail, and the name Hamilton she took from the Massachusetts town in which she was born in 1830. Her first experience was as a school teacher. She was an instructor in the Institute for Physical Science in Hartford for several years, beginning in 1851. From Hartford she went to Washington as instructor of the children of Dr. Gamaliel Bailey, the anti-slavery agitator. He was the editor of the National Era and she contributed a great many articles to it. Among her best known works are "Twelve Miles for a Lemon," "Skirmishes and Sketches," "Gala Days" and "Sermons to the Clergy." She had been ailing on and off for a number of years. Until the last illness her most serious attack was in May, 1895, when while stopping with Mrs. Blaine she was stricken with paralysis. After her recovery from sickness last September Miss Dodge wrote a paper on how it feels to be dead. The paper was entitled, "In the Valley of the Shadow of Death," and was read in church in Hamilton by Miss Dodge herself. When she felt her consciousness departing in a room in the Blaine mansion in Washington, Miss Dodge says she strove with all her might to reach a sofa as she felt that her friends would be doubly horrified upon opening the door to find her lying dead on the floor. She fell before reaching the sofa, but although she was unable to move or speak, she imagined that she was still awake and listening to the voice of one of her brothers who had died a year before, but whom she imagined to be present at the time. She had an unconquerable desire to ask him whether she was really in the world of the dead, but her tongue refused her bidding. She could not utter a word. Miss Dodge concluded her paper by advising her friends to have no fear of death as her experience at that time taught her that it must be a blessing.

Brooklyn Navy Yard Accident.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The court of inquiry to determine the causes of the accident at dry dock No. 2, Brooklyn navy yard on August 8, is now being conducted. The first witness examined was A. G. Manocall, who was in charge of the department of docks and yards. He testified that he had taken the ballast out of the caisson, but in so doing had been carrying out the orders of his superiors. When asked if his superiors had ordered him to take out all the ballast, he said that directly they had not, but implied that they had, as they told him to scrape the interior of the hulls.

In Opposition to the A. A. U.

New York, Aug. 18.—The management of the newly organized Knickerbocker Athletic club, which was formed on the ruins of the New Manhattan Athletic club, have sent out a circular to several prominent athletic clubs in New York and to the Boston Athletic association, asking those clubs to send delegates to a meeting to be held shortly for the purpose of forming a new governing body in opposition to the Amateur Athletic union.

Indian Territory Intruders.

Wagoner, I. T., Aug. 18.—Col. J. W. Watts, president of the Citizens' association, has commenced the work of perfecting the roll of the intruders preparatory to presenting the same to the Dawes' commission. There are about 6,000 intruders whose right to property in the Cherokee Nation will be determined by the Dawes' commission.

Heat Killed 1,258 Horses in New York.

New York, Aug. 18.—During the nine days preceding last Saturday White & Sons, contractors for the removal of dead animals, removed from the city's streets the bodies of 1,258 dead horses. The highest death rate was among the street-car horses.

Massachusetts' Democratic Club Secretary.

Boston, Aug. 18.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Young Men's Democratic club of Massachusetts yesterday afternoon, Francis L. Savage of Boston was elected secretary of the club, vice R. T. Paine, jr., resigned.

GOLD DEMOCRATS.

An Address Issued by the National Executive Committee at Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—A meeting of the national executive committee of the gold democratic party was held at the Palmer house last evening. Chairman Bynum of Indiana presided and all the members were present except Charles F. Tracey of New York, who was detained by party work in the metropolis. The principal business which called the committee together was the preparation and adoption of an address to the democratic voters of the country. A sub-committee was chosen to draft the address. Assurances have been received by the committee that the organizations in the following states, which were not represented at Indianapolis, are sufficiently advanced to make it certain they will have full delegations at the convention: Louisiana, North Dakota, Georgia, Mississippi, Colorado, Wyoming and South Carolina. Nothing has been done in Idaho, Utah or Nevada towards organizing and Mr. Bynum said he did not expect to see those states represented at Indianapolis. The expectation is there will be forty-two states to answer to the roll call on September 2. The committee appointed Walter Kessler of Indianapolis sergeant-at-arms for the convention. He is a young man who graduated from Yale and read law and is now in the stone quarry business. Hugh Wallace, who recently resigned his membership in the national democratic committee from Washington because of the silver plank, called when the committee was in session and was invited inside. Chairman Bynum said to a reporter for the United-Associated Presses: New York is the best city for national campaign headquarters, and I shall work and vote for it. Ours will be a campaign of education, and New York is the producing point for most of the literature. The committee could command more assistance in New York than in Chicago. There are to be so many headquarters here that we will get mixed up.

FURNITURE TRADE IN IRELAND.

Efforts of Foreign Manufacturers To Extend Their Business There.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Consul James B. Taney writes the department of state from Belfast, Ireland, that the Canadians are making great efforts to introduce household and office furniture in all parts of the kingdom. One agent of an Ontario firm within a week took orders for about \$9,000 worth of furniture in Belfast, and in Dublin for about \$10,000 worth. "If American manufacturers," says Mr. Taney, "desire either to retain or increase their trade they should understand that it will be necessary to give it the most careful attention in directions that are comparatively new to them. Their representatives must be prepared to meet representative manufacturers of other countries who are taking great pains to extend their trade."

DELAWARE SINGLE-TAXERS.

Refusal of the Judge of the Federal Court To Interfere.

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 18.—Judge Wales of the federal court has handed down a decision in the habeas corpus cases of single-taxers James Haggerty and Arthur H. Stephenson, who have been in Dover jail for failing to pay a fine and the costs for the violation of a Dover ordinance. He decided that the committing magistrate had the authority to try Haggerty and remanded him to the custody of the sheriff. Stephenson's term having expired, no decision was rendered in the case.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MINES.

Rapid Increase in the Production of Precious Metals.

Toronto, Aug. 18.—Official returns from British Columbia to the Dominion government show that in 1894 the aggregate value of precious metals mined in the province was \$1,090,000; last year the value was \$5,038,375, and this year the output will be greater, judging from the three months ended July 15. The estimated value of gold smelted and shipped to July 15 is \$1,730,000.

Major McKinley's Colored Callers.

Canton, O., Aug. 18.—Major McKinley's callers to-day included a delegation of several hundred colored citizens of Cleveland. They came from the Forest City by a special train with a band and marched to Major McKinley's residence. They were introduced to Mr. McKinley, who, after their spokesman had concluded his address, made them quite a lengthy speech. Mrs. McKinley has as her guest Mrs. Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, who will spend a few days at the McKinley residence.

British Ambassador to France.

London, Aug. 18.—The Right Hon. Sir Edmund Monson, British ambassador to Austria, has been appointed to succeed Lord Dufferin as ambassador to France. Sir Horace Rumbold, at present British minister to Holland, will succeed Sir Edmund Monson.

Another Veteran Appointed.

Albany, Aug. 18.—State Excise Commissioner Lyman has appointed Cains A. Weaver of Syracuse, a veteran, as a special agent under the Raines liquor law.

BRYAN AT RED HOOK

He Tells of Some of His Plans for the Future.

LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE FIRST

On His Way to New England He Will Speak at Brooklyn, and on His Return He Will Deliver Another Address in New York.

Upper Red Hook, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Here in this little Dutchess county village, six miles from the nearest station on the New York Central railroad, nearly two miles from a branch road of the Philadelphia & Reading, and away from the busy whirl of politics, William J. Bryan has established himself for a week or ten days of quiet to enable him to compose his letter of acceptance. Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Perrine. Mrs. Perrine was Mrs. Bryan's teacher at the female academy in Jacksonville, Ill., the town where the democratic candidate also received the principal part of his education. The candidate and his wife reached Barrytown last evening by train from Poughkeepsie with Mr. and Mrs. Perrine and T. C. Wright. Mr. Bryan's secretary, drove six miles through a beautiful farming country to the home of Mr. Perrine. The Perrine residence is a pretty frame structure, right in the village and adjacent to the general store kept by the nominee's host, Hugh J. Brady, chairman of the St. Louis central committee and a member of the Bryan and Sewall committee on ratification. met Mr. Bryan by accident on the steamer Albany and had dinner with him. Mr. Brady says that Mr. Bryan told him that he will speak in St. Louis between the 10th and 15th of September. In answer to repeated inquiries as to whether he would make reply to the speech to be delivered to-night by Hon. Bourke Cockran, Mr. Bryan said: "Mr. Cockran and I discussed both the silver question and the income tax while in congress. If he advances any new arguments they can go to the country along with my speech of last week. I shall not return to New York until the latter part of September, when I expect to speak briefly in Brooklyn on my way to New England, and in New York on my way from New England." Mr. Bryan's attention was called to several errors that appeared in the printed copy of his Madison Square garden speech. He gave out the following corrections: Near the beginning of the speech the word "property" should be changed to "poverty" so that the quotation from Lincoln will read: "No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty." Near the end of the paragraph beginning "It cannot be successfully claimed," the word "not" should be inserted after "must" so as to read: "The influence of this great nation must not be thrown upon the side of gold," etc. Concerning Senator Thurston's statement in his letter to Senator Stewart, published yesterday, that Mr. Bryan had been charged with being in the pay of silver mine owners, Mr. Bryan said that he had denied this statement on several occasions, and that a denial would be made at an early day.

SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Liability of this Country for Filibustering Expeditions.

London, Aug. 18.—The newspapers refer at length to Spain's bill for damages against the United States, as the result of the fitting out of filibustering expeditions, destined for Cuba, in American ports, and citing the decision arrived at in the case of the Alabama, one paper says: "The United States' acceptance of the Geneva award makes it absolutely impossible for them to repudiate their liability under the present circumstances with any show of reason or justice."

Gold Reserve Continues Downward.

Washington, Aug. 18.—The treasury gold reserve at the opening of business to-day stood at \$195,113,702. Yesterday's withdrawals were \$50,800. The decline of over \$1,000,000 since Saturday is due to the fact that \$1,000,000 was withdrawn in San Francisco last week and only taken out yesterday. Daily "withdrawals" as given out at the treasury, means withdrawals of gold at New York only.

National League Games.

At New York.—New York, 15; Washington, 9. At Boston.—Boston, 5; Brooklyn, 4. At Philadelphia.—Baltimore, 3; Philadelphia, 2. Second game, Baltimore, 16; Philadelphia, 15. At Pittsburgh.—Cleveland, 6; Pittsburgh, 3. Second game, Pittsburgh, 6; Cleveland, 3.

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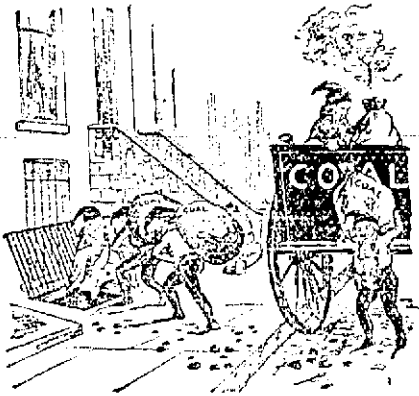
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AUNT LIZZIE STUTELY.

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When Young, She Belonged to the Randolphs Who Were at the Head of the Four Hundred of Antebellum Days.

[Special Washington Letter.]
Stories of the body servants of George Washington are at last obsolete. When men and women, white or black, live beyond the age of usefulness, when their teeth disappear and their eyes grow dim; when their noses and chins hold rubicund meetings, they no longer claim to have seen and known George Washington. That test of old age has passed away with its mendacious adjuncts.

Elizabeth Stutely is very old, but she never claims to have seen Washington. She remembers the capture of Washington city by the British during the war of 1812, but she was only a little girl, and remembers it mainly because it was talked about constantly for many years afterwards. Aunt Lizzie, as she is known to all her friends, does not know when she was born. She knows nothing of her birthday, but has selected the Fourth of July as her birthday, and always celebrates it from that standpoint, rather than as a national holiday. She says that some one told her when she was young that the Fourth of July was a better day than any other in the year, and so she selected it as her birthday.

"I belonged to the Randolphs," says Aunt Lizzie. "I was raised in the best family in Virginia, and my friends have always been white folks. I don't know how to read, but I know how to talk. For my old Mistress Brokenbrough used to make me talk right. I was a house servant, and of course I heard less of the talk of the field hands than the average slave. I was raised with the white folks and I talk as they talked. I know what grammar is, but I never was taught anything out of books, except the big Book. I can tell you all about that. I can remember the wonderful story, and I believe in it, too. The Bible is all the book I know anything about, and whenever it is read to me I listen and just remember the words, so that my preacher sometimes tells me I can repeat more of it than he can. But I don't make any difference whether I have much learning or not, for, after all, when a slave gets free enough to know that there is freedom for all up yonder, that is education enough for the black folks. The men of these days have made laws which make my race equal."



THE BIBLE IS THE ONLY BOOK I KNOW.

with the white race, but I don't believe in those laws. God's law was that the descendants of Ham should be servants, and they are the best servants in the world."

That is the philosophy of a very intelligent old woman of the African race. She must be nearly 100 years old. She is growing stout, heavy, and adds it difficult to move about; but she has a wonderfully brilliant mind. She has beautiful gray kinky hair, and is as neat, tidy, cleanly and dignified as any of the white ladies with whom she was raised. She says: "One thing I learned was that it is never proper to speak ill of the dead, and I was in the Lee family during the war, and I saw a great deal of the great general Robert E. Lee. If I should tell what I saw and heard and know of him, his home, it would spoil a popular picture; but I have never told anything that I learned in slavery concerning my people, and I never will. But Gen. Lee was not a perfect man. I suppose he was as good as other men, but few men are good, especially to women."

"I belonged to the Randolphs before the war," continued Aunt Lizzie, "and that is how I came to be a servant in the family of Secretary of War John H. Eaton, whose wife was the great beauty who broke up President Jackson's cabinet. I have heard a great many wicked things read about that lady in the newspapers, but I seldom heard good things read about her. She went to her grave very poor, and I was at her funeral. She was beautiful, and she was warm-hearted, too. She did lots of good in the world. Her beautiful daughter, Miss Madge, married Lieut. Randolph, of the navy, and her other daughter, Miss Virginia, married a foreigner in the diplomatic service and went to Europe. I never saw her again. She was a splendid harpist, a wonderful singer, and a woman of beauty in character, as well as in face and figure. People talked about her, too, but they talk about all women who are beautiful. I heard the play Hamlet once, and I remember that Hamlet told a beautiful lady in the play that no matter what she did, she could not escape calamity. That's true. Indeed it is. Generally, however, it comes from women about women. That has been my experience."

"I never had much trouble as a slave. The good negroes were well cared for; and nearly all of them were better off in slavery than since they became free."

They are servants by nature, and by the Bible, and it is hard for them to get along without the help of the white folks. I was punished sometimes, but generally when I did something to deserve it. Mistress Eaton once got after me when I interfered in the punishment of one of the children, and I went and had myself locked up in jail. That was a sure way for any intelligent colored person to call attention to his or her rights."

"I knew Gen. Jackson very well. Mr. O'Neill had a fine farm way out in the country. It is now covered with the finest residences in Washington, and Connecticut avenue, the fashionable street of the northwest, runs through the old farm. There is Dupont circle,



SHE KNEW GEN. JACKSON.

the British embassy, the Stewart castle, Blaine's mansion, the home of Senator Sawyer, and the palaces of Leiter and others who have come here with their millions. The old farmhouse is gone; but I remember it very well. There was a splendid well near the house, with an old-fashioned pump. Gen. Jackson used to ride out there on horseback, take a drink from the pump, and then sit on the veranda by the hour talking about everything that was going on."

"President Van Buren was a peculiar man. He was always very solemn, and seemed to have too much on his mind, or else that his mind wasn't big enough to carry all the things that were in it. President Polk was speaker of the house of representatives, and he was a jolly man with his white friends. I seldom noticed any of the servants. Gen. Jackson knew all of the colored people, and called me Lizzie whenever he saw me. He knew the other servants by their names, too. We all liked him. President Pierce was a handsome man and very popular; but he sometimes got too much liquor into him, and then he was not so handsome. He was always gentlemanly and polite to everybody, and I often heard people who admired him say: 'What a pity he drinks too much,' or words like that. They said that he was a great orator and a good president."

"I saw very little of President Buchanan. He was not much of a man to go calling; leastwise he seldom called at our house, and folks said that he stayed most of the time at the white house. I only saw President Lincoln once, and that was when he was inaugurated. Soon after that I was taken to Virginia, and lived with the Lees until after the war. I was in Richmond when the Yankees came there, and it was an awful time. Everybody was scared. They used to tell us awful stories of what the Yankees would do if they ever caught us. But when the Yankees came into Richmond they didn't do anything but march in and take possession. There was a great deal of excitement, but the Yankees were not bad men at all. They were simply soldiers like our poor rebel soldiers; but they had plenty to eat and good clothes to wear, while our poor rebel soldiers were hungry and almost naked. I never thought the Yankees ought to be so very proud of whipping the rebels at Richmond, for our people were almost famished, while the Yankees had everything that soldiers could need."

"I never felt so bad in my life as I did when the news came that President Lincoln had been killed. I cried, and all the colored people cried. We didn't know just why we cried, but all of us felt that Mr. Lincoln was our friend, and we were looking for good times as soon as the war was all over. Gen. Grant was a great man, and we all felt that he would take care of us; but the colored people believed that Mr. Lincoln was our best friend."

"No, I never saw Gen. Grant when he was in Virginia; but I saw him in Washington after the war, and I saw him often when he was president. He used to drive about the city with his fast horses, and he was very fond of having pretty girls with him. I think he was the last president who has gone driving about the city with perfect freedom. The others all keep themselves away from the people, so that nobody knows them even by sight."

"Yes, I am growing very old. I feel that I have done my work, and that the good Lord will take care of me when I am called away. I have been a Christian for many a year, and whether free or slave, I feel that I am under the shadow of His wing, and that He will gather me up when all nations will be known as His children. Somehow, in His own way, on the other shore, the nations will be changed and be equal as His children; but they are not all equal here, and they ought not to think so."

Aunt Lizzie evidently descended from one of the best tribes in Africa, for she is of superior mental fiber. There is no white blood in her veins. She is black, but her head is finely formed, and her eyes are as brilliant and expressive as the eyes of any of her elderly white friends. She belongs to the Baptist church, and is a regular attendant. But, aside from her church associations, she seeks the society of the white people, and she is welcome in many homes of the old families of Washington.

SMITH D. FRY.

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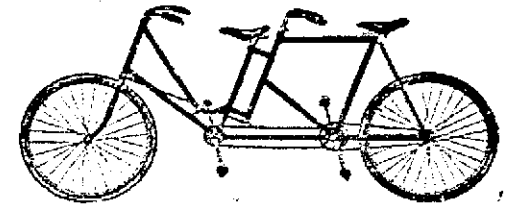
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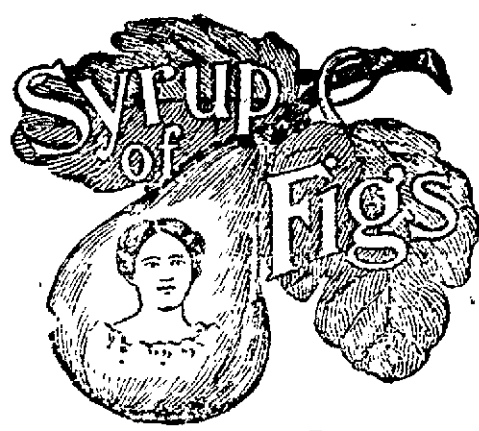
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QUIBBLES IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Proper Legal Safeguards Prostituted for the Protection of the Guilty.

The sixth amendment to the constitution of the United States provides that in all criminal prosecutions the accused shall enjoy the right to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation against him. This is a principle of English jurisprudence older by some hundreds of years than our constitution. It is a sound principle, and one which no people loving justice and liberty can afford to surrender.

Arguments are not necessary to bolster such a provision of the organic law, but were such arguments needed none better could be found than the two reasons for the rule given by criminal law writers—that the accused may have opportunity to meet a certain and specific charge, first, in order to prepare his defense and summon his witnesses to meet the charge, and, second, that if it sought to try him a second time for the same offense he may have no difficulty in proving that it is the same offense, and thus escape being put twice in jeopardy.

Simple and plain as are these reasons, which have become crystallized into rules of law and which are such as naturally commend themselves to everyone, yet they have been made the pretext for the existence of most, if not all, of the quibbles and artfully refined niceties of criminal pleading that enable the adroit criminal lawyer to shield from punishment those notoriously guilty who dare not stand upon the simple issue of guilt or innocence. How numerous such cases are even a slight acquaintance with criminal courts and criminal methods will demonstrate. How successful such quibbling is in shielding crime is notorious.

A few illustrations of criminal convictions which have been set aside because the indictment was not sufficiently specific or because it charged an offense which was not proven at the trial may not be amiss in showing to what extent criminal courts go in their fanciful interpretations of the apparently simple and logical basic rules of criminal law given above:

"P. was indicted for the murder of Robert Kain. The case was fully proven, except that none of the witnesses for the prosecution identified the murdered man as Robert Kain. They knew him simply as Kain and did not know his Christian name. The conviction was set aside.

"In a case of larceny the indictment charged that the defendant stole a gray gelding. The proof went no further than to show that it was a gray horse. Conviction set aside.

"In another case of horse stealing the indictment charged that the horse was the property of A. As a matter of fact, it was the property of A and B. Again the conviction set aside.

"An indictment charged one with suborning J. S. of W. to commit perjury. It was proven that J. S. lived at X. The conviction was set aside, though it would have been good if J. S.'s residence had not been mentioned.

"An indictment for arson which failed to state the name of the occupant of the house burned was held insufficient to support a conviction, though the fact was fully brought out in evidence.

"A conviction of larceny was set aside because the indictment, which alleged that the defendant stole certain property from A, did not allege that the property stolen belonged to A."—Washington Post.

The Flaming Torch.
Husband (to wife in full evening dress)—My stars! Is that all you are going to wear?
Wife (calmly)—All, except the flowers. Which of these clusters would you select?

Husband (resignedly)—The biggest.
—N. Y. Weekly.

Safety Assured.
Mr. Winks (solemnly)—A noted physician says that deadly bacteria lurk in bank notes, and many diseases, especially smallpox, are spread that way.

Mrs. Winks—Mercy on us! Give me all you have right off. I've been vaccinated, you know.—N. Y. Weekly.

Any One of the Sex.
Mrs. Wickwire—Those clairvoyants' declarations are so ridiculous. Here's one that begins: "Mime. X tells everything." The idea.

Mr. Wickwire—Tells everything? Any woman can do that.—Indianapolis Journal.

Probably Not.
"I see that the Brown-Jones-Thompson-Potters are going to give a party."
"H'm. Will there be any outside invitation?"—Detroit Free Press.

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Chas. B. Hood, Broker and Manufacturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a cough remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop. St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a cough of two years standing, caused by LaGrippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merrill, Baldwinville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended it and never knew it to fail and would rather give it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hemming, 222 E. 25th St., Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of Croup, because it instantly relieves. Free Trial Bottles at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

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MOUNT HOPE.

Many Personal Notes of Local and General Interest.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Daniel Webster, Sr., spent a few days, last week, with his son at the Mount Hope hotel.

—Elliott Halstead, who spent some weeks at his home, near this village, returned to New York city.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mapes, of Brooklyn, are the guests of Mrs. Louisa Halstead for a few days.

—Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald preached in Middletown, Sunday.

—Wm. Forbes has bought P. D. Johnson's house, on the Middletown road, and moved in Saturday.

—Mr. Cheney and children and sister are boarding for a couple of weeks at the home of John Seybolt.

—Abigail Moore and family and Charles Moore and Augustus Ketchum, with their families, spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Lydia Moore.

—Mrs. Thomas, of Chicago, is the guest of her brother, Rev. Luther Little, at the parsonage.

—There were no services Sunday evening on account of the rain.

—Miss Pearl McBride and Jennie Rysdyk, of Middletown, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. George Rysdyk, near this village.

BEAVERKILL

Working on the New Church—Attended Dr. Bassett's Funeral—Concert—Has Not Come Back.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Edwin Miner has gone to Livingston Manor to work on the new Catholic church at that place.

—Miss Ellen Griffin, of New York city, is spending a few weeks with her father at this place.

—A number from here attended the funeral of Dr. Bassett at Downsville, Sunday.

—There will be a concert in the Beaverkill M. E. Church, on the evening of August 21st, for the benefit of the church. Admission—adults, 25 cents; children 15 cents.

—Miss Higgins, who eloped with her brother-in-law, has not returned, as was expected.

CRYSTAL RUN.

Items of Personal and Local Interest.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Goldsmith have returned from their wedding tour.

—Miss Maggie Dwyer, who has been visiting her relatives at Montgomery, returned home, Monday.

—Mrs. Agnes Wallace, of Montclair, N. J., is visiting her son, J. W. Wallace.

—Miss Kate Wallace, of Montclair, N. J., who has been visiting her brother, J. W. Wallace, returned home, Saturday.

WALKER VALLEY.

Concert and Supper—A Death from Diphtheria.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Parties from Ellenville will give a concert in the M. E. Church, Aug. 20. A supper will be provided for the occasion.

—On Sunday last, John W. Scott lost a child four years old from diphtheria. If that dread disease should get under headway in our place, it would play terrible havoc, as there are many small children in our neighborhood.

JOHNSON.

A Cow Killed by a Railroad Train—Sullivan County Cows.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—A valuable cow belonging to Richard O'Connor was struck and killed by the S. and W. milk train, Saturday morning. The train was delayed nearly half an hour in consequence.

—John R. Manning and son, Hiram, returned from Sullivan county, Saturday night, with ten cows.

CIRCLEVILLE.

Peach and Ice Cream Festival.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—There will be a peach and ice cream festival on the church lawn at Circleville, Thursday evening, Aug. 20th. History it will be held Friday evening. Proceeds for the benefit of the church. All are cordially invited.

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LI'S OPPOSITION TO WAR.

China's Greatest General is Proclaiming Peace.

Ex-Secretary John W. Foster contributes a sketch of "The Viceroy Li Hung Chang" to the Century. Mr. Foster says:

"Although the greatest general his country has produced in this century, he is preeminently a man of peace. Confucius, whose disciple he is proud to call himself, taught the folly of war, and the practice of the government and Chinese society in this respect is inspired by his teachings. While Japan has exalted the warlike spirit, and there the soldier is the idol of the people, in China the soldier is lightly esteemed, and always takes rank below the literary class. But notwithstanding this peaceful spirit, there is often a war party in China, and on two or three memorable occasions it has fallen to the lot of Viceroy Li to be placed in antagonism to it.

"The Kuldja question, about 1880, brought the country to the brink of war with Russia, and it was only by his most reticent resistance to the war party at Peking that a peaceful settlement was reached. It is now well known that he opposed the late hostilities with Japan. The government of the latter during the progress of the war obtained possession of and published certain memorials to the throne, dated in 1892, and forwarded by the viceroy, which looked to the ultimate invasion of Japan; but at best it was merely an inchoate scheme and probably encouraged by the viceroy to aid his projects for the defense of the approaches to Peking. He had a better knowledge of the military strength of Japan and of the weakness of China than any other of the emperor's advisers, and he feared the consequences to his country of a conflict."

THE WILY SEAL.

How He Manages to Catch Sea Gulls Unawares.

The seal is probably the clumsiest animal in the world, says the New York Recorder. He likes to bask in the sun all day and when he moves he is exceedingly sluggish and awkward. It has often been wondered how this animal manages to secure its favorite food, wild sea fowl.

Sea gulls are so wild that it is difficult even for man to get within gunshot of one. The seal seems to realize that it would be a waste of time to attempt to crawl up on the gulls as they rest upon the water and catch them unawares. So he watches until the gulls are soaring slowly through the air and close to the waves. Then the seal dives into the sea and swims underneath the water for some distance. By the time he has managed to swim about 100 feet the gull has forgotten the presence of its enemy. This gives the seal his opportunity. He cautiously rises to the surface of the water at some distance from the point at which he dived, and allows merely the tip of his great nose to appear above the water.

Remaining in this position, he gives his enormous body a rotary motion, so that his nose describes a circle on the surface of the ocean. He does this so skillfully that to the gull his nose looks like a fish at play. This catches the gull's eye, and it at once darts down with the speed of an arrow, aiming straight for the little dot. The seal sees it coming and sinks a few inches, and as the gull strikes the water with tremendous force the seal's jaws close upward and the gull disappears.

FOSSIL MEAL.

A New German Product Which Has Many Uses.

A new product, called fossil meal, is being introduced from Germany for preventing the loss of heat from radiation which takes place to so large an extent from the uncovered surfaces of boilers, steam pipes, cylinders, and steam plant generally. It consists of infusorial earth, obtained from certain mines in Hanover, combined with other substances to secure greater strength and cohesiveness. This infusorial earth is composed of millions of minute organisms, whose hollow form gives to the fossil meal its high porosity, and consequently its non-conducting power. The use of this material, however, is not confined to the manufacture of non-conducting composition for steam pipes and engine and boiler surfaces. It is used in safe making as a fire-resisting compound, and by explosive manufacturers in the production of dynamite. It is in demand for cold storage purposes, for covering cold pipes from contact with the warmer external air. It is also employed in chemical manufacture, as a preventive against damp; for cleaning glass and metal; as a tooth paste; it is made up into blotting paper, and it is employed in the manufacture of sealing wax. It makes up into a firebrick of one-fifth the ordinary weight, with a fire-resisting quality equal to that of quartz. It has many other uses, one of which is filtration and it is being utilized for the domestic purification of water.

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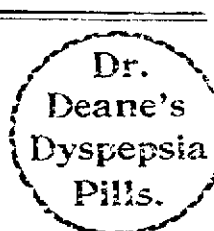
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D. F. SEWARD, Attorney and Counselor at Law, Rooms 2 and 3 Lippold Building, No. 25 North street, Middletown. Particular attention given to the examination of titles to real estate.

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HENRY C. MCBRAIR, D. D. S. Gas administered. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

Erie Railway.

Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning June 1, 1896, and continuing until further notice, as follows:

Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos. 601, 625, 606, 617, and 620 run Sundays only. All trains daily except Sunday. Train No. 6 will stop only for passengers for Binghamton or west thereof—due notification must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following letters added indicate connection with New York, Newburg Branch via Greyhound; "W" with Newburg Branch via Turners; "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

GOING EAST.

No. 1 Chicago Ex. Tr. James St. Sta. Main St. Sta. 10 New York Special. 6.01 a.m. 6.36 a.m. 26 Middletown Way. 6.34 a.m. 6.59 a.m. 16 Orange Co. Ex. (C. & M.). 7.10 a.m. 7.12 a.m. 28 Mountain Ex. 7.23 a.m. 7.25 a.m. 88 De. Val. Ex. (N. Y. & G.). 10.48 a.m. 6 W. Main. (6.40 p.m.) 12.55 p.m. 1.00 p.m. 30 Way. P. M. P. G. 4.11 a.m. 4.18 p.m. 6 C. & St. L. Limited. 6.12 a.m. 6.14 p.m. 22 P. J. Local Tr. 7.20 a.m. 14 Wells Fargo Express. 10.40 a.m. 604 P. J. Local (Sundays only) 5.23 a.m. 620 P. J. Local (Sundays only) 5.19 p.m. 18 Milk (Sundays only) 8.01 p.m.

GOING WEST.

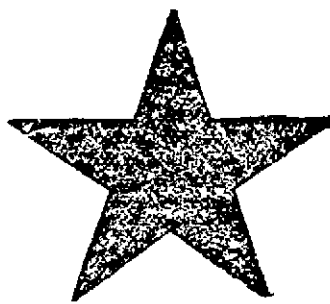
No. 12 Chicago Ex. Tr. James St. Sta. Main St. Sta. 11 MUR. 10.30 a.m. 10.32 a.m. 1 Day Express. 10.36 a.m. 10.38 a.m. 9 Del. Val. Express. 11.23 a.m. 11.25 a.m. 11 Port Jervis Local. 1.04 p.m. 1.01 p.m. 33 Port Jervis Exp. 2.30 p.m. 3.37 a.m. 5 C. & St. L. Exp. 4.2 a.m. 4.22 a.m. 27 Mountain Ex. 4.42 a.m. 5.35 a.m. 16 Orange Co. Ex. 6.30 a.m. 6.45 a.m. 25 Middletown Way. 8.03 a.m. 8.03 a.m. 7 C. & G. T. Exp. 8.24 a.m. 8.24 a.m. 20 Way. P. M. P. G. 9.13 a.m. 9.13 a.m. 3 C. & St. L. Exp. 10.25 a.m. 10.25 a.m. 625 P. J. Way (Sundays only) 3.38 p.m. 3.41 a.m. 10.29 a.m. 10.29 a.m.

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, 10.45, 11.15, 11.45, 12.15, 12.45, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, 10.45, 11.15, 11.45, 12.15, 12.45, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45,

DAILY ARGUS.

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PUBLISHER.GEORGE H. THOMPSON, EDITOR.
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TUESDAY, AUG. 18, 1896.

For President,
WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN,
of Nebraska.For Vice-President,
ARTHUR SEWALL,
of Maine.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic electors of the State of New York are requested to unite in sending three delegates and three alternates from each Assembly District to a State Convention, to be held at Buffalo, on Wednesday, Sept. 16th, 1896, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates to be voted for at the ensuing general election, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

(Signed) J. W. HINKLEY, Chairman.
August 7, 1896.

ASSEMBLY DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Democratic electors of the Second Assembly District of Orange County are hereby requested to send delegates to a Democratic convention, to be held at the Assembly Rooms, in Middletown, N. Y., on the 5th day of September, 1896, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of selecting three delegates and three alternates to attend the Democratic State Convention, which will be held at Buffalo on Wednesday, Sept. 16th, 1896.

WM. H. CRANE, Chairman Assembly Com.
Dated Aug. 15th, 1896.

J. Sloat Fassett is to take part in the Maine campaign. Remembering an incident in his disastrous tiger hunt he will keep his coat on while harranguing the Down Easters.

Mayor Patrick Jerome Gleason, of Long Island City, is reported to be out against Bryan. It has not yet been announced in what way the free silver candidate and platform offend the delicate moral sense of this political pundit.

Very little interest has been manifested as yet in local politics. We have, however, inside information that some Republican officials who expect re-nomination and are keeping their fingers on the popular pulse are becoming very uneasy at the growth of free silver sentiment in this county, and are nothing like so sure of a walkover as they were a few weeks ago.

In these times when the gold men are so fond of setting up what they call "object lessons," the common people can look at the object lesson on the bulk of the paper money they use, where are printed the words "one silver dollar," "five silver dollars," or whatever the denomination may happen to be, and consider for themselves whether silver money is really so bad a thing as it is painted.

Canal patronage was a potent factor in the Republican primaries in Montgomery county, yesterday. Never before has there been such a scandal over the use of public funds for political ends as has been caused by Aldridge's manipulation of canal work to advance his political ambitions. If he is nominated for Governor his abuse of his office as Superintendent of Public Works ought to insure his defeat.

There is no doubt that the delegates from this Assembly district to the State convention will be in favor of the endorsement of Bryan and Sewall. It is not likely that the few gold Democrats in the district will make any attempt to elect delegates or to influence the action of the convention in any way for they realize that Democratic sentiment in the district is practically unanimous in favor of the Chicago ticket. If an attempt should be made to send gold delegates to the Buffalo convention there would be such an uprising of free silver Democrats as the district has never seen and each and every one of them would make it his personal care to see that the district was not misrepresented.

From all the county towns of this county come reports of the growth and spread of the free silver sentiment, and unless the tide turn (and of this there are no signs) the vote for Bryan and Sewall in the coming districts will surprise the politicians. Early tales of the blessings of protection do not interest the farmers this year. They have seen themselves growing poorer under both high tariffs and low tariffs, and they realize that relief from conditions that oppress them must come not through tariff changes but through a return to the coinage of silver, for they recall that before the single gold standard was established they were prosperous and blessed with plenty.

President Andrews, of Brown University, who favors free silver coinage, says that there is no reason to fear that opening the mint to silver will drive gold out of circulation, for he says no one will hoard or export gold in the face of a movement that is certain to cheapen that metal. Moreover, he believes that the rehabilitation of silver by the United States will set free vast amounts of gold now hoarded for military and other

purposes. President Andrews sees no danger in the increased output of silver that would follow free coinage. Only the most prolific silver mines are now worked, and any increase in the silver output would, he says, be followed by such an increased cost of production that all tendency from this source to lower the gold price of silver would be negated.

A tramp with a keen sense of humor, and who had evidently devoted his abundant leisure to reading gold standard newspaper, which refer business reverses of any and all kinds to the agitation for free silver, astonished a New York Police Justice before whom he was arraigned, yesterday, by the explanation which he gave for his vagrancy. He said his vocation was picking blossoms from century plants, and that the uncertainty as to the maintenance of the gold standard had ruined his business and made him a tramp. There is just as much sense in the fellow's whimsical tale as in the gold organ's stories of the ills they claim have already resulted from the free silver agitation.

ANXIOUS ABOUT NEW HAMPSHIRE

From the Albany Argus.

It is not generally expected that any of the New England States will go Democratic next November, but in at least one of them, in New Hampshire, the peril to the Republicans is so great that Senator Chandler, who is a witty and practical Republican leader, advises concessions to the gold Democrats, by giving them a share of the McKinley electoral ticket. This indicates that a considerable number of the Republicans in the Granite State must be flocking to the standard of Bryan and Sewall, and free coinage. Nobody can believe that if the Republicans were united, Mr. Chandler would advocate offering such liberal terms to any part of his old enemies. The farmers in New Hampshire are no doubt largely in sympathy with their brother agriculturists in other States, and no man can foretell with any degree of confidence what the result will be, until the vote is counted.

REALIZING THE SITUATION.

From the Albany Argus.

Mr. Hanna seems to be getting his eyes opened to the true situation. At first he thought it would be an easy thing to get McKinley elected, but, in his latest published interview, he says: "There is going to be a hard contest," and he evidently despairs of Michigan, for he says: "We have as good a chance to carry Texas as Michigan." In view of the fact that in the presidential election of 1892 Michigan gave a Republican plurality of 20,412, while Texas gave a Democratic plurality of 157,704, Mr. Hanna's diagnosis of the present condition of affairs in Michigan is significant.

NO PROTECTION FOR THE FARMER

From the Albany Argus.

Representative Mahon, of Chambersville, Pa., claims that there is no silver talk among the farmers in his district; that they "believe that if the tariff question was settled there would be no trouble with finances." Settled how? Was ever a tariff framed yet that helped the farmer to any considerable extent? How can the farmer benefit by buying his machinery and his clothing in a high-protected market while selling his butter and cheese to "free trade" England?

THE DIFFERENCE.

From the Menquius Commercial-Appel.

The difference between Bryan and McKinley is this: Bryan is an avowed silver man running on a silver platform, while McKinley is a silver man keeping quiet so that he can run on a gold platform.

RE-NOMINATED FOR CONGRESS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

GENEVA, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The Republican convention for the twenty-eighth district held here, to-day, re-nominated Seneca E. Payne for Congress by acclamation.

A ROYAL BERTHOAL.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—It is reported that the Prince of Italy is betrothed to the Princess Helene, daughter of the Prince of Montenegro.

They All Come Back To

"There are fads in medicine as well as in other things," said a busy druggist, "but the most remarkable thing about Hood's Sarsaparilla is that customers who try other remedies all come back to Hood's, and this is why the enormous sales of this great medicine keep up and continue the whole year round, steady as a clock."

"Why is it?" "O, simply because Hood's Sarsaparilla has more real curative merit than any medicine I ever sold."

This is of daily occurrence in almost every drug store. Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured more sickness, and made more happiness through restoration to health than any other medicine.

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LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

BRYAN SEEKING REST.

Has Gone Fishing, To-day, and Will Go to the Catskills in a Day or Two.

BY UNITED PRESS.

UPPER RED HOOK, Aug. 18.—Two thousand persons from the surrounding country and villages came in yesterday and last night to see Bryan. The crowd listened intently to Bryan's speech, but showed no enthusiasm until he had concluded when there was hearty cheering.

Bryan came here for quiet but is somewhat dubious of the prospect. He will set to work composing his letter of acceptance without delay and will probably largely perfect his plans for the campaign while here.

This afternoon Bryan has gone to Spring Lake to fish. He expects to go to the Catskills Wednesday or Thursday.

COLLISION AT A YACHT RACE.

The Isolde Run Down by Emperor William's Yacht—Her Owner Fatally Hurt

BY UNITED PRESS.

SOUTH SEA, Eng., Aug. 18.—During the Royal Albert Yacht Club regatta, to-day, the German Emperor's yacht Meteor collided with the twenty meter Isolde, dismasting the latter and throwing the crew into the water. All were rescued, but the races were abandoned.

Baron Von Zedtwitz, owner of the Isolde, was struck on the head by a block or piece of the broken mast and severely hurt. He was taken to Ryde. The flag on the club house at Ryde is at half-mast and it is reported Von Zedtwitz is dead. The Isolde was badly damaged.

NATIONAL CAPITAL LIFE ASSOCIATION.

Trying to Reinsure Industrial Benefit Policy Holders, Though Not Authorized to Do Business in This State.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, Aug. 18.—The Superintendent of Insurance says that the National Capital Life Association, of Washington, is not authorized to do business in this State. It has been seeking to reinsure holders of policies in the Industrial Benefit Association of Syracuse, which is in the hands of a receiver.

THE LASH FOR A WIFE BEATER

A Brute, Who Abused His Wife, Sentenced to Receive Ten Lashes.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ELKTON, Md., Aug. 18.—John Roote, engineer of the Diabert dry dock, in Chesapeake City, has been sentenced by a justice to be whipped ten lashes and imprisoned for thirty days for brutal treatment of his wife. This is the second sentence to whipping imposed in the State. The decision is popular, as the case has no parallel in brutality in Cecil county.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, August 18.—The Hall Association of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows was incorporated with the Secretary of State, to-day, to erect and maintain in New York city a suitable building for the use and accommodation of Odd Fellows.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT.

BY UNITED PRESS.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Ex-Alderman Roth, who some time ago was declared insane was arrested last night charged with embezzling \$42,000 from the National Building Loan association of which he was treasurer. The officers of the association assert that he is sane.

MARTINELLI'S APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The reported appointment of Father Martinelli as the successor to Cardinal Satolli as Papal Delegate to the United States is confirmed by Dr. Rooker, secretary of the legation.

WATER SPOUTS ON LAKE ONTARIO

BY UNITED PRESS.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Three huge funnel-shaped water spouts formed on Lake Ontario off here this morning, and as they moved down the lake attracted a great deal of attention. Shortly afterward their came a heavy rain.

ODD FELLOWS' GRAND LODGE.

BY UNITED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The first day's session of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of this State opened, to-day. About 1,500 delegates are present.

25 Cts. a Pound Best Japan Tea.

5 Cts. a Pound Granulated Sugar.

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Our SILK and WOOL SHIRTS are big sellers. Wool Shirts and Sweaters. Special prices to close out Negligee Shirts. Complete Stock of Gent's Furnishings.

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We are receiving our new fall stock of cloths, of foreign and domestic manufacture, for Suits, Overcoats and extra Trousers. The stock has been selected with care, and we are showing some very nobly and neat patterns. We have just received the new Fall Fashion Plates, and are now prepared to take orders.

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Remember we are offering a grand opportunity to secure a Suit or extra Pantalons for a little money. Don't fail to take advantage of this offer.

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El Capitan March, 50 cents.

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Just Tell Them that You Saw Me, 40 cents.

There's a Girl Who Loves Me, 40 cents.

Music in Our Yard, 40 cents.

These or any piece of music sent on receipt of price. A full line of Ten Cent Music and Music Books in stock.

New and taking things in Fine Stationery.

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One friend tells another and we have one more customer.

We don't believe there is a clothing firm anywhere which sells good, honest, well made stylish Suits for as small prices.

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OBITUARY.

Margaret M. Boyce.

From Our Seaside Correspondent.

Margaret Mulholland, wife of Wm. Boyce, died, Wednesday morning, Aug. 12th, of paralysis, from which she had suffered about two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce came to this country from County Armagh, Ireland, about forty-seven years ago, and about three weeks after they were married. They first worked for Mr. Book, near Circleville, for a year; afterwards they went to keeping house and lived in several different places, until they bought the Lewis Wade place, where they have since lived.

Mrs. Boyce is survived by her husband and several children: John, living near Pine Bush; Henry, living in Pine Bush; William, living at Seasideville; George, living at Campbell Hall; Edward, Superintendent of the Seaside creamery; Jennie, wife of James Seaman and Thomas, of Seasideville.

Mrs. Boyce united with the Pleasant Valley M. E. Church about thirty years ago and a few years ago she and her husband became members of the Hope-Well Presbyterian Church.

The funeral was held, Friday, Aug. 14th, and was largely attended. Rev. Mr. Erskine, her pastor, officiating. The interment was at Walker Valley Cemetery.

Mrs. Boyce lived an exemplary Christian life and was beloved by all who knew her.

Sarah Jane Wood.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Wood, wife of ex-Supervisor Wm. H. Wood, of Slate Hill, died at the family home about 4 o'clock, Monday afternoon, aged seventy years.

She was born in the town of Wawayanda, near her present home, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wood. She married William H. Wood fifty-one years ago and was the mother of five children, two of whom survive her. Richard H. Wood and Mrs. H. C. Horton, both of Goshen.

The sudden affliction is a terrible one to the bereaved husband, who himself is an invalid and was greatly dependent on the care of his loving wife.

The funeral will be held from her late residence, on Wednesday, at 2 p. m. Interment in Union Cemetery, near the house.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS' RE-UNION.

Very Low Rates of Fare and Through Trains on the O. and W.

On account of the Orange Blossoms' reunion and basket picnic, to be held at Cranstons on Wednesday, Aug. 19th, the Ontario and Western will sell tickets at the greatly reduced rate of \$1.28 for the round trip. Tickets will be good on vestibule limited express, leaving Wickham avenue (does not stop at Main street) at 8:25 a. m., arriving at Cranstons at 9:19, without change of cars. Returning, leave Cranstons at 4:46 p. m., arriving at Middletown at 6 p. m. The O. and W. is the shortest, cheapest and most direct route to take.

A Chance for Bettors.

From the Newburgh Telegram.

A Newburgh man requests the Telegram to publish the wagers he is willing to make with the first comer. He says he will bet—

One hundred to fifty dollars that Bryan carries Nebraska.

Fifty to one hundred dollars that Bryan carries Ohio.

Fifty dollars even that he wins both the above bets.

One hundred dollars even that Bryan is elected.

The man has left his address at this office and any takers will be furnished the same on application.

Another Dollar Excursion on the Erie.

The Erie announces another New York excursion, Wednesday, Aug. 26th. Fare for the round trip only one dollar. Special train leaves Jersey street, 7:54 a. m., and Main street, 7:56 a. m., and leaves New York, (Chambers street), 7:15 p. m. Arrangements have been made for the Crawford Branch train to connect with the excursion train in both directions. This will give the residents of this branch a chance to enjoy a trip to New York for one dollar. Enough cars will be run to assure every one a seat.

Restrictive Endorsements Will Not Be Accepted.

On account of a recent decision of the Court of Appeals, national banks will hereafter refuse checks, drafts, notes, etc., endorsed "for collection," "for account of," "for credit of," "for deposit only," or bearing any other words of a restrictive character. This rule was adopted first by the New York Clearing House, and has now become general in its application.

A Classmate of Bryan.

From Our Seasideville Correspondent.

Rev. Mr. Erskine, pastor of the Hope-Well Presbyterian Church, was a college classmate of Bryan, the Democratic candidate for President. Mr. Erskine says that Bryan was a young man of sterling qualities and possessed of fine abilities.

To Cleanse the System

Effectually yet gently, when costive or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently overcome habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, to dispel headaches, colds, or fevers, use Syrup of Figs.

R. C. Joiner, Allen P. O., Hillsdale Co., Mich., says: "Nothing gave my rheumatism such quick relief as Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil."

NO TAX ON SWEET CIDER.

It Can be Made and Sold Without a Raines Law Tax Certificate.

In answer to many inquiries State Excise Commissioner Lyman has explained the application of the Raines law to cider. The law does not require a certificate for the manufacture and sale of any kind of liquor or the sale in quantities of five wine gallons or over, and, therefore, the manufacture of sweet cider, which is in no sense a "liquor" under this law, is wholly exempt from a liquor tax. The sale or traffic in sweet, or unfermented cider, in any quantity, does not therefore require a liquor tax certificate.

Cider in its natural process passes through an organic chemical change called fermentation, and not before that change is sufficiently completed to render it what is known as "hard cider," does the law classify it as a "liquor," and require a certificate to legalize its sale in quantity over five wine gallons. Sales of hard cider in quantities of five wine gallons or over are entitled to the same exemption as any other kind of liquor, and do not require a liquor tax certificate, but in order to lawfully sell hard cider in quantities of less than five gallons a tax certificate is needed.

SULLIVAN COUNTY SOLDIERS RE-UNION.

To Be Held at Livingston Manor, Aug. 26.—Special Trains and Low Rates on the O. and W.

The fifteenth annual re-union of the ex-soldiers and sailors of Sullivan county will be held on the old re-union grounds at Livingston Manor, Wednesday, August 26th. Addresses will be made by Dept. Commander General Edward J. Atkinson and staff of New York, Gen. John Palmer, Hon. Wm. L. Thornton, of Monticello, and Rev. Wm. Colden, of Greenfield, N. Y., Marshal of the day Victor Champlain. Gen. E. J. Atkinson will review the G. A. R. posts. A fine program has been arranged and this will be a day long to be remembered.

A special train will leave Middletown via O. and W. at 8:30 a. m. and returning leave Livingston Manor at 6:45 p. m. Rate for round trip \$1.55. Tickets will also be good on all regular trains going and returning.

A RECORD BREAKING BASS.

The Largest Bass Caught in Greenwood Lake in Recent Years.

Alderman William Stalter, of Paterson, caught, Saturday evening, an Oswego or big mouth bass in Greenwood Lake that weighed seven and a half pounds. It is the largest bass caught in the lake with hook and line in recent years. Mr. Stalter was fishing opposite Cooper's place, at the lower end of the lake, with a live frog for bait, and was using an eight ounce steel rod and a small trout line. The big bass, after striking, towed the boat, with three men in it, against the wind for fifteen minutes. There was no landing net in the boat, and in order to secure the prize one of Mr. Stalter's companions went overboard after it, and after much difficulty succeeded in getting his hand into its mouth and threw it into the boat.

Arrested for Stealing a Bicycle.

A young man named H. Dollner, on Friday, hired a wheel of John Orben, of Port Jervis, to ride to Lackawaxen, promising to return in the evening, but did not.

Saturday an employe of Orben went to Lackawaxen, where he learned that Dollner had sold the wheel for \$5, and started east on a freight train.

Saturday afternoon Dollner was seen standing at the Erie depot, in Port Jervis, and was arrested and locked up, and yesterday was sent to Goshen to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Overrun by Hordes of Tramps.

Tramps are beginning to flock into the hop picking districts of Central New York. They literally swarm on railroad trains and so terrorize the employes that when a gang boards a train they make no effort to prevent them riding as far as they wish to go. They are so numerous in many places that they are regarded as a menace to the safety of homes.

Coney Island Excursion.

The next Coney Island excursion will be run by the O. and W. on Friday, August 21st, at the exceedingly low rate of \$1.00 for the round trip. Train leaves Middletown at 8:25 a. m. Returning leaves Coney Island (Long Island Railroad depot) at 4:30 p. m. Excursionists will have five hours on the beach to bathe and take in the many attractions of this noted place.

Card of Thanks.

To the United States Industrial Insurance Company for their prompt payment of a policy held in the above company on the life of my little son, who died Aug. 12 and paid Aug. 11, through M. J. Dunham, Assistant Superintendent, office 35 North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Mrs. Anna J. Jones,
11 130 Prospect avenue.

Every day symptoms of digestive disorders—acid stomach, distress after eating, burning at pit of stomach, dull, heavy feelings—Burdock Blood-Bitters never fails to correct any troubles of this sort.

Why continue to pass your nights in scratching, and your days in misery? Doan's Ointment brings instant relief, and permanently cures even the worst cases of Itching Piles. It never fails.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

SEARSVILLE.

Baked Apples on the Trees—Music Teacher Wanted—Overcome by Heat—Bryantites Help Raise a McKinley Poll—Home from the Seashore—Visiting Her Old Home.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The weather has been so hot in this section that some of the apples seem to have been baked on the trees. The thermometer was 98° in the shade.

—Wanted—A good music teacher to give vocal music lessons to beginners. Saturday afternoons, at Thompson Ridge school house. For further particulars inquire of Alex Thompson, Thompson Ridge.

—Mrs. Alonzo Comfort, of this place, was overcome by the heat, last Thursday, while walking in a field. She managed to get to the shade of a tree until she revived and was helped to the house by some members of the family.

—Alfred Youngblood raised a McKinley pole, last Saturday, but McKinleyites are so scarce in this town that he had to call on Bryantites for help to raise it.

—S. A. Comfort and family, who have been at Asbury Park for two weeks, returned last Friday. They report a very enjoyable time.

—Mr. and Mrs. Woody, of Elizabeth City, N. C., are visiting at Mrs. Woody's uncle's, R. J. Thompson. Mrs. Woody is a daughter of the late J. Erskine Crawford, formerly of this place.

GUYMARD.

Home from the Seashore—Many Engagements—Had a Pleasant Outing.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Miss Anna Gumaer has returned from her vacation at the seashore, and is hard at work catching up with her numerous musical engagements. She was with friends at Elburon, N. J., and reports the seaside hotels well filled with guests.

—Miss Marie Louise Gumaer, who is spending the summer with her parents at this place, sings frequently in nearby places. Last week she sang in Carbondale and Honesdale, and also at some place on Staten Island.

—Miss Maggie Norris has been away taking a vacation among the Sullivan county highlands. She reports having had a very agreeable outing.

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the Middletown postoffice for the week ending Aug. 17th:

LADIES.	GENTLEMEN.
Allen, Miss Annie	Rudden, Miss Della
Dinicola, Antonio	Sprague, Miss Jessie L.
Farley, Mrs. John	Smith, Lillian
Hall, Miss Ethel	Tobey, Charlotte M.
Mattauws, Mrs. Chas.	
Brink, Philander	Morgan, F. T.
Esott, David	Vall, Wm. J.
Graham, Alfred	Valentine, John
Montagne, Constante	Werber, Miss Matilda
Mather, Oliver D.	Wileox, W. H.
McConnell, Bert	

C. L. ELWOOD, Postmaster.

TOO MODERATE IN SPEECH.

From the Springfield Republican.

The lesson which the New York papers would apparently forehome upon Bryan from the Madison Square Garden performance is that he should not attempt to cultivate moderation and temperance in speech.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—Notice has been posted in the D. and H. shops at Oneonta informing employes on trains running other than the long regular trips, that they will hereafter be paid by the mile instead of by the day. The double tracking of the road enables the men to make better time.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT.

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

Yesterday	Today	Close	Close
Sugar	105 3/4	104 1/2	
A. T. & S. F.	11 1/4	11	
C. B. & G.	60 1/2	60 1/2	
Chicago Gas	53 1/2	53	
D. L. & W.	147	147	
D. L. & C. F.	12 1/2	12 1/2	
Gen. Electric	24 1/2	24 1/2	
L. & N.	41 1/2	40 1/2	
100	140	140	
M. P.	16	16 1/2	
N. Y. & N. E.	92 1/2	92 1/2	
N. Y. C.	92 1/2	92 1/2	
N. W.	94 1/2	94	
Steepchanna & Western	18	17 1/2	
Susquehanna & West.	18	17 1/2	
O. & W.	12 1/2	12 1/2	
Manhattan	76	76 1/2	
Southern Ry.	77 1/2	77 1/2	
P. & R.	95 1/2	95 1/2	
R. I.	64 1/2	64 1/2	
C. M. & St. P.	66 1/2	66 1/2	
100	65 1/2	65 1/2	
W. Union	78	77 1/2	
Nat. Lead.	18	17 1/2	
Sept. Wheat	54 1/2	55 1/2	
Sept. Corn	22 1/2	22 1/2	
Sept. Oats	16 1/2	16 1/2	
Sept. Pork	\$6 30	\$6 20	
Sept. Lard	3 20	3 42	

DIED.

WOOD—Near Slate Hill, Aug. 17th, '96, Sarah J., wife of William H. Wood, in her seventieth year.

Funeral Wednesday afternoon, from her late residence, at two o'clock. Interment in family plot, Union Cemetery.

LEIGH—In this city, Aug. 18th, 1896, Clinton Harry, infant son of William R. and Laura Leigh, aged five months.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Undertaker, No. 32 North street, Livery and Undertaking, Telephone No. 3. New York office, 151 East 23d St.

KNAPE & MERRILL, Undertakers and Embalmers, 121 North street. Finest facilities for the preparation of the body. Open day and night.

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Big Ice-Bergs sighted.

St. Johns, N. E., Aug. 18.—The Allen line steamer Assyrian from Liverpool reports four immense icebergs 150 miles off the coast in the track of ocean shipping. Six American fishermen were landed here during the past two days. They lost their vessels on the Great Banks, and were adrift from four to seven days without food or water. The brigantine Galatea has brought in a boat from the banks which is believed to belong to a French vessel which foundered, as the Galatea passed a lot of wreckage.

Peau Yan Bank To Resume.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Josiah Van Vranken, national bank examiner, who has been in charge of the Yates County National bank, Peau Yan, N. Y., since its failure two months ago has been appointed receiver of the institution in order to facilitate certain legal transactions, preliminary to its resuming business.

Placed in Irons at Sea.

Philadelphia, Aug. 18.—Capt. Purdy of the British bark Artisan, from Macaila, was compelled to put seaman Frank Jones in irons on the passage for mutinous conduct, he having threatened to burn the ship and attempted to take the lives of officers and crew.

Mrs. Beecher's Illness.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 18.—There was no change reported in the condition of Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher at her home in Orange street this morning. Mrs. Beecher was affected by the excessive heat of last week, and is quite ill.

Re-nominated for Assembly.

Oran, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The republicans of the eastern district, Cattaraugus county, in convention at Frankville, re-nominated Hon. C. H. Miller for the assembly.

Used Bottled Breath.

Mountain climbers will be interested to learn of the successful experiments of Dr. Berson, of Stassfurt, who by means of "bottled breath" has been enabled to ascend to great heights, both on land and in a balloon. The doctor, when endeavoring to get further above the level of the sea than anyone else has ever climbed or flown, carries along a cylinder of compressed oxygen, fitted with a tube for breathing. Whenever he experiences discomfort on account of the rarity of the atmosphere a few whiffs from the cylinder suffices to restore him.

Dr. Berson, by means of this device, recently ascended to an altitude of 31,300 feet, which is 2,000 feet higher than the summit of Mount Everest.

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GIRL Wanted for general housework at BELDING'S.

SIX-Room Cottage to let, 189 East Main street. Enquire at No. 3 Horton Ave.

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YOU cannot walk on the points of nails with comfort under any circumstances. To have your feet shoes "SOLED" with the rolling process is summer madness. CHAMBERS' new method dispenses with soles.

PAPER Hanging at 12c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI, 311 Shop & Academy Ave.

DIVISION No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will hold their thirtieth annual picnic, Tuesday, Aug. 19th, at Moonenpark Park. Tickets 25 cents, admitting lady and gentleman. 10d&wtf

BLACK WALNUT and oak bedroom suits, old kitchen closet, barbers' clippers and scissors all cheap at

EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

NOT the 10 cent kin—Chambers, the drug list, sold a pint bottle of Dickinson's Extract With Hazel for 25c. None better at any price. Lots poorer at less price.

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THE MISSES PORTER'S English and Classical Boarding and Day School, Kindergarten, Primary, Academic and College Preparation, Specialists in Elocution, Languages, Music and Art. Residences Sept. 30th. Corner Highland avenue and Prospect street, Middletown. 6d&wtf

STEP in Chambers' Drug Store when at the postoffice, tonight, and get a good square. We have 'em. Postoffice Pharmacy. J. J. CHAMBERS, Prop.

RECEIVED Today—New lot of High Admiral Champagne Cordonettes. Buttons at the Electric Clear Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown. 4d&wtf My20

FOR Sale—Seven awnings for house windows. Good but one season and as good as new. Enquire at this office.

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DR. C. THIMME, Dentist over J. B. Swadlow's grocery store, No. 12 East Main street, dft

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 53 Water avenue. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable. 5d&wtf M. C. FREER.

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EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney, 16 East Main street.

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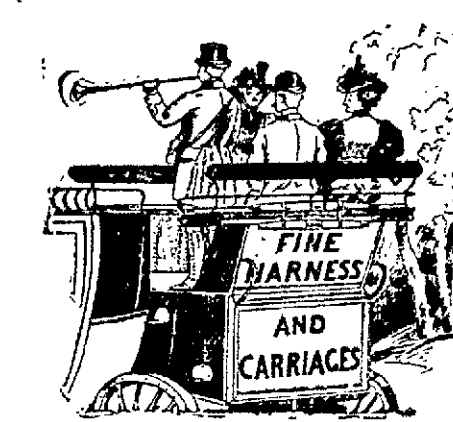
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